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**REMARKS**

This communication is considered fully responsive to the Office action mailed February 2, 2005. Claims 1-11 were examined. Claims 8-11 were allowed. The Office stated that claims 3-4 would be allowable if amended to recite features of a base claim. The Office also stated that claims 6 would be allowable if the Applicant overcomes the obvious-type double patenting rejection. Accordingly, a terminal disclaimer is submitted, claims 1 and 5 are cancelled, claims 2-3 and 6-7 were amended, and no new claims are added. Reconsideration and reexamination is requested.

**Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement**

The Undersigned wishes to draw the Office's attention to a supplemental information disclosure statement filed April 21, 2005. The references submitted therein in accordance with the Applicant's duty of disclosure were received by the Applicant in relation to a search rendered by the Japanese Patent Office. The Applicant requests that the Office consider the references cited therein and return an Examiner-initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 in the next correspondence from the Office.

**Claim Objections**

The Office's objection to claim 3 relating to a typographical error is acknowledged. Accordingly, claim 3 has been amended to correct the typographical error, replacing "filed" with -field-. Allowance of claim 3 is requested.

**Double Patenting**

Claims 5-7 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obvious-type double patenting as being purportedly unpatentable over claims 11-13, respectively, of U.S. Patent No. 6,728,803 to Nelson et al. ("Nelson"). Claim 5 has been canceled, and a terminal disclaimer is submitted herein to overcome the obvious-type double-patenting rejection of claims 6-7. Allowance of claims 6-7 is respectfully requested.

**Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102**

Claims 1, 2, 5, and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being purportedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,628,617 to Karol et al. (Karol). Claims 1 and 5 have

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been canceled. Claim 2 has been amended to recite the features of allowable claim 3. Claim 7 has been amended to recite the features of allowable claim 6. Therefore, allowance of claims 2 and 7 is respectfully requested.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

The Applicant acknowledges the allowability of claims 3, 4, 6, and 8-11. Claim 3 has been amended to recite the features of base claim 1. Claim 4 still depends from claim 3 and therefore should be allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 3. Although not explicitly required by the Office, claim 6 has been amended to recite the features of base claim 5. Claims 8-11 were allowed without amendment.

**Conclusion**

Based on the amendments and remarks herein, the Applicant respectfully requests prompt issuance of a notice of allowance for claims 2-4, 6-7 and 8-11 in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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